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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Brian Underwood, 32, and Holly King, 38, of Sun Prairie, Wis., were sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 10 years in prison and 5 years in prison, respectively, for conspiracy to possess pseudoephedrine with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine. Underwood and King pleaded guilty to this charge on July 17, 2008 and July 18, 2008.

On March 18, 2008, Sun Prairie Police officers and Wisconsin Department of Justice agents executed a search warrant at Brian Underwood's residence in Sun Prairie. In an unattached garage close to the residence, officers found a methamphetamine lab. Specifically, officers found chemicals and equipment used in the manufacture of methamphetamine.

That same day, officers interviewed King and Underwood. King admitted purchasing Sudafed for Underwood so that he could manufacture methamphetamine. Underwood admitted manufacturing methamphetamine in his garage for the past year. Records from area pharmacies indicated that King and Underwood purchased large quantities of Sudafed during the past year.

At the sentencing hearing, Judge Crabb was appalled that both defendants exposed the two children living in the home to such a dangerous and uninhabitable environment.

The charges against Underwood and King were the result of an investigation conducted by the Sun Prairie Police Department and the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

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